(R₂PC₂H₄PR₂)Pd⁰-1-Alkyne Complexes

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Displacement of the ethene ligand in $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ $(d^{i}ppe = {}^{i}Pr_{2}PC_{2}H_{4}P^{i}Pr_{2})$ by 1-alkynes RC=CH affords the mononuclear complexes ($d^{i}ppe$)Pd(RC=CH) (R = Me (**2a**), Ph (**3a**), CO₂-Me (4), SiMe₃ (5)). The molecular structure of **3a** has been determined by X-ray crystallography. Mononuclear **2a** and **3a** have been reacted with stoichiometric amounts of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{1}-C_{3}H_{5})_{2}$ as a source for $[(d^{i}ppe)Pd^{0}]$ to yield the dinuclear derivatives $\{(d^{i}ppe) Pd_{2}(\mu - RC \equiv CH)$ (R = Me (**2b**), Ph (**3b**)). By the reaction of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) with difunctional vinylacetylene the mononuclear complex ($d^{i}ppe$)Pd{(1,2- η^{2})-RC \equiv CH} (R = CH=CH₂ (**6a**)) is formed, which is in equilibrium with isomeric $(d^{i}ppe)Pd\{(3,4-\eta^2)-H_2C=CHC=CH\}$ (**6b**). Addition of $[(d^{i}ppe)Pd^{0}]$ to **6a**,**b** yields dinuclear $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu \cdot RC \equiv CH) \ (R = CH = CH_{2} (6c)).$ Reaction of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ with butadiyne affords $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{2}-HC\equiv CC\equiv CH)$ (7c). From d^{i} ppe, Pt(cod)₂, and C₄H₂ the Pt homologue has also been synthesized and thus, together with the already known Ni derivative, the series $(d^{i}ppe)M(\eta^{2}-HC\equiv CC\equiv CH)$ (M = Ni (7a), Pd (7c), Pt (7f) is now complete. When 7c and $[(d^{i}ppe)Pd^{0}]$ are combined, the dinuclear complex { $(d^{i}ppe)Pd_{2}(\mu - RC \equiv CH)$ ($R = C \equiv CH$ (7e)) is formed in solution, whereas isomeric $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}\{\mu(1,2-\eta^{2}):(3,4-\eta^{2})-HC\equiv CC\equiv CH\}$ (7d) is present in the solid state. The preparation of the Pd^0-1 -alkyne complexes refutes the conventional wisdom that this type of compound is inherently unstable. By reaction of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ with internal alkynes $C_{2}R_{2}$ the complexes $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(RC \equiv CR)$ (R = Me (8a), Ph (9), CO₂Me (10), SiMe₃ (11)) have also been prepared. Combining **8a** with $[(d^ippe)Pd^0]$ affords dinuclear $\{(d^ippe)Pd\}_2(\mu-MeC \equiv CMe)\}$ (8b). Finally, solution thermolysis of 2b and 8b gives rise to dinuclear alkyne-free $Pd_2(d^ippe)_2$ (**1**2).

Introduction

Previous reports on the reaction of Pd⁰ complexes with 1-alkynes give the impression that the preferred reaction path is oxidative addition to yield Pd^{II} alkynyl hydrides.¹ It appears, however, that the major obstacle in the synthesis of Pd⁰-1-alkyne complexes has been the scarcity of appropriate starting complexes rather than an inherent instability of this type of complex. In this context we have recently reported on novel (R2- $PC_2H_4PR_2)Pd^0$ alkene and ethyne complexes ($R = {}^{i}Pr$, ^tBu; alkene = C_2H_4 , 1,5-hexadiene, 1,5-cyclooctadiene).² When $Pd(\eta^3-C_3H_5)_2$ and $Pd(\eta^3-2-MeC_3H_4)_2$ are reacted below -30 °C with bidentate ⁱPr₂PC₂H₄PⁱPr₂ (dⁱppe), the Pd^{II} η^1 -allyl compounds (dⁱppe)Pd(η^1 -C₃H₅)₂² and (dⁱppe)- $Pd(\eta^{1}-2-MeC_{3}H_{4})_{2}^{3}$ are produced. Above -30 °C the allyl substituents couple with reduction of Pd^{II} to form various labile (dippe)Pd0-1,5-hexadiene or -2,5-dimethyl-1,5-hexadiene complexes, which have in part been isolated. Addition of ethene furnishs uniformly the stable complex $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$, and by the reaction of the latter with ethyne mononuclear $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{2})$ (1a) is obtained (Scheme 1). These complexes can also be prepared in one-pot reactions. Combination of 1a with



any of the aforementioned (dippe)Pd^{II,0} complexes produces dinuclear $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu-C_{2}H_{2})$ (1b). Similar reactions carried out with ^tBu₂PC₂H₄P^tBu₂ (d^tbpe) as the phosphane component afford $(d^t bpe)Pd(C_2H_4)$, $(d^{t}bpe)Pd(C_{2}H_{2})$, and $\{(d^{t}bpe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu-C_{2}H_{2})$.^{2,4} Besides $Pd(\eta^3-C_3H_5)_2$ and $Pd(\eta^3-2-MeC_3H_4)_2$, the complexes $(\eta^5 C_5H_5$)Pd(η^3 - C_3H_5) and (tmeda)PdMe₂ may serve alternatively as starting materials.

On the basis of the chemistry described above we set out to tackle the problem of the synthesis of $Pd^{0}-1$ alkyne complexes. We have confined the studies to dⁱppe as an exemplary ligand to Pd because of the excellent properties it generally confers to products with respect to stability, solubility, and crystallizability. We report here on, to the best of our knowledge, the first

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isolated⁵ Pd^0-1 -alkyne complexes and also some new Pd^0 complexes with internal alkynes.⁶ While related Ni(0)-1-alkyne complexes⁷ are still scarce, the group of Pt(0)-1-alkyne complexes⁸ is quite broad.

Results

(dⁱppe)Pd⁰ Complexes with MeC=CH, PhC=CH, $MeO_2CC \equiv CH$, and $Me_3SiC \equiv CH$ (2–5). While the methyl group in propyne is electron-donating ("nonactivated alkyne"), the phenyl or ester substituents in phenylacetylene and propiolic acid methyl ester are electron-withdrawing ("activated alkyne"), whereas the electronic effect of the Me₃Si substituent in (trimethylsilyl)acetylene is a priori difficult to assess. When $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ is reacted with an excess of these 1-alkynes in pentane or diethyl ether at ≤ 0 °C, the ethene ligand is readily displaced and, upon cooling to -78 °C, the mononuclear (dippe)Pd⁰-1-alkyne complexes 2a, 3a, 4, and 5 are obtained (Scheme 2). Although the complexes can also be prepared by onepot reactions of any of the Pd^{II} complexes mentioned in the Introduction with dippe and the 1-alkyne (cf. Scheme 1), the reaction of isolated $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ with 1-alkyne appears to be favorable.

The mononuclear complexes 4 and 5 are stable in solution at ambient temperature. When solutions of complexes 2a and 3a are warmed to 20 °C, additional signals arise in the NMR spectra which are attributed to the dinuclear derivatives $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu - RC \equiv CH)$ (R = Me (**2b**), Ph (**3b**)). Complex **2b** has been obtained in pure form by depleting propyne from the ethereal solution of 2a under vacuum. Furthermore, complexes **2b** and **3b** have been synthesized by reacting **2a** and **3a** with an equimolar amount of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{1}-C_{3}H_{5})_{2}$. The latter thermolyzes into $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{2}-C_{6}H_{10})$ and thus serves as a source for $[(d^{i}ppe)Pd^{0}]$. $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{2}-\eta^{2})$ C_6H_{10}) is more reactive than (dⁱppe)Pd(C_2H_4), for which the coupling reactions with (dippe)Pd(RC≡CH) are incomplete. It appears without doubt that also 4 and 5 will react with [(dⁱppe)Pd⁰] to form the corresponding dinuclear complexes.

The colorless or faintly colored crystalline complexes are isolated in 80–90% yield. The melting points of the mononuclear complexes are relatively low (30–81 °C), while those of the dinuclear complexes are somewhat higher (70–110 °C). When a THF- d_8 solution of **2a,b** is kept at 20 °C for several days, a slow decomposition proceeds to afford a mixture of products. Of these, the dinuclear alkyne-free complex **12** (see below) has been identified by its characteristic high-field ³¹P NMR singlet (δ_P 33.7).

Although the mononuclear complexes **4** and **5** are stable in solution when pure, they are destabilized by additional 1-alkyne. When to a solution (THF- d_8 , 20 °C) of the mononuclear complexes **2a**, **3a**, **4**, and **5** about 4 equiv of the corresponding 1-alkyne is added, for **3a** and phenylacetylene a slight decomposition is observed after 1 day. However, for **5** and (trimethylsilyl)acetylene some decomposition is observable already after 1 h, and the situation is similar for **2a** and added propyne. For **4** and propiolic acid methyl ester decomposition is the most rapid and proceeds largely within 1 h. Thus, the following qualitative sequence of increased destabilization (increased reactivity) has been established:

 $3a/HC \equiv CPh < 5/HC \equiv CSiMe_3 \approx 2a/HC \equiv CMe < 4/HC \equiv CCO_2Me$

It is deemed that decomposition is initiated by the oxidative addition of a 1-alkyne C–H bond to (dⁱppe)-Pd⁰(1-alkyne), giving rise to a Pd^{II/IV} alkynyl hydride intermediate. Further reaction with 1-alkyne may lead to 1-alkyne oligomerization.⁹ For the given [(dⁱppe)Pd⁰] system the formation of various oligomers is indicated by the ¹H NMR spectra. Of these oligomers the *cyclic* trimer¹⁰ 1,3,5-C₆H₃(COOMe)₃¹¹ has been identified. No NMR signals for Pd^{II/IV} alkynyl hydride species have been observed.

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Figure 1. Molecular structure of complex **3a**. Selected bond distances (Å): Pd-P1 = 2.294(1), Pd-P2 = 2.301(1), Pd-C1 = 2.028(5), Pd-C2 = 2.062(4), C1-C2 = 1.246(7). Selected bond and dihedral angles (deg): P1-Pd-P2 = 87.2(1), P1-Pd-C1 = 116.6(1), P1-Pd-C2 = 152.1(1), P2-Pd-C1 = 156.2(1), P2-Pd-C2 = 120.8(1), C1-C2-C3 = 143.8(5), C2-C1-H1 = 149(3), Pd,P1,P2/Pd,C1,C2 = 0.6, Pd,C1,C2/(C3-C8) = 20.2.

Molecular Structure of (dⁱppe)Pd(PhC≡CH) (3a). The molecular structure of 3a (Figure 1) has been determined by X-ray crystallography. Due to the monosubstitution of the alkyne ligand and the nonplanar (dⁱppe)Pd chelate ring, the molecular point symmetry is C_1 . The (dⁱppe)Pd fragment of **3a** displays features similar to those in other (dⁱppe)Pd complexes.^{12,13} Thus, the P1-Pd-P2 angle of 87.2(1)° and the P-Pd bond lengths of 2.294(1) and 2.301(1) Å compare very well with the mean values (angle 87.17° and bond length 2.304 Å) for the compounds in refs 12 and 13. However, the "bite angle" P1-Pd-P2 in **3a** is significantly smaller than for the Pd⁰-alkyne complexes with monodentate phosphanes (Ph₃P)₂Pd(MeO₂CC=CCO₂Me)^{14a} (A, 107°) and $\{(c-C_6H_{11})_3P\}_2Pd(F_3CC \equiv CCF_3)^{14b}$ (**B**, 111°), resulting in a higher donor strength for the dⁱppe ligand. Consequently, the Pd-P bond length is distinctly shorter than for A (2.33 Å (mean)) and B (2.36 Å (mean)), and the coordination geometry at the TP-3 Pd⁰ center in 3a is exactly planar (Pd,P1,P2/Pd,C1,C2 0.6°), whereas for A (10°) and B (3°) larger distortions from planarity are observed. In **3a** the coordinated $C \equiv C$ bond C1-C2(1.246(7) Å) is relatively short (uncoordinated C=C: 1.18–1.20 Å), while the length of Pd–C (Pd–C1 = 2.028(5), Pd-C2 = 2.062(4) Å) is of the same magnitude as for **A** (C=C = 1.28 Å; Pd-C = 2.06 Å (mean)) and **B** $(C \equiv C = 1.27 \text{ Å}; Pd-C = 2.05 \text{ Å} (mean))$. In particular, the coordinated C = C bond is less elongated than for the corresponding Ni⁰ and Pt⁰ complexes (dⁱppe)Ni(HC=CH) (1.287(7) Å) and (dⁱppe)Pt(HC=CH) (1.37(3) Å),¹⁵ in agreement with a relatively weak back-bonding strength of Pd⁰. The deviation of the phenyl substituent from collinearity with the alkyne C atoms in **3a** (36.2°) is of intermediate magnitude (**A**, 35°; **B**, 44°). In **3a** the plane of the phenyl group is tilted toward the Pd coordination plane by 20°, which may be caused by crystal-packing effects.

Spectroscopic Properties of 2–5. Complexes **2–5** have been characterized by their MS, IR, and ¹H, ¹³C, and ³¹P NMR spectra. In the EI mass spectra the mononuclear Pd⁰–1-alkyne complexes **2a**, **3a**, **4**, and **5** (vaporization temperature 20–50 °C) display the molecular ions which fragment by cleavage of the 1-alkyne ligands to afford $[(d^{i}ppe)Pd]^{+}$ (m/e 368) as common base ion.¹⁶ With respect to the dinuclear alkyne complexes **2b** and **3b** (120 °C), the molecular ion has been observed only for the phenylacetylene derivative **3b**, but both complexes give rise to the dinuclear *alkyne-free* ion $[Pd_2(d^{i}ppe)_2]^{+}$ (**12**⁺, m/e 736). The latter monomerizes into $[(d^{i}ppe)Pd]^{+}$, which represents the base ion for **2b**.

In the IR spectra (Table 1) of the mononuclear (dⁱppe)-Pd⁰-1-alkyne complexes **2a**, **3a**, **4**, and **5** the 1-alkyne C-H stretching band is shifted from about 3300 ± 30 cm⁻¹ for the free alkyne to 3085 ± 25 cm⁻¹, corresponding to a coordination shift of $\Delta\nu(C-H) = 210 \pm 25$ cm⁻¹. For **2a**, **3a**, and **4** the C=C stretching bands are shifted to 1735 ± 25 cm⁻¹, corresponding to $\Delta\nu(C=C) = 395 \pm 15$ cm⁻¹. For **4**, of course, the observed value $\Delta\nu(C=C)$ may be somewhat influenced by the occurrence of vibrational coupling of the C=C and C=O groups ($\nu(C=O)$ 1667 cm⁻¹) in the coordinated alkyne, different from the situation in the free alkyne. Significantly smaller values $\Delta\nu(C=C)$ are observed for **1a** (355 cm⁻¹) and **5** (326 cm⁻¹), for which $\nu(C=C)$ values for the uncoordinated alkynes are particularly low.

When the alkyne ligand of the Pd⁰-1-alkyne complexes is coordinated to a second (dⁱppe)Pd⁰ fragment, additional "complementary" coordination shifts to lower wavenumbers are observed, resulting uniformly for **1b**-**3b** in an absorption band ν (C-H) 3060 \pm 5 cm⁻¹ and in a total C=C bond complexation shift $\Delta\nu$ (C=C) 600 \pm 20 cm⁻¹. Although a direct comparison of Pd⁰-1-alkyne and corresponding Ni⁰-1-alkyne⁷ and Pt⁰-1-alkyne⁸ complex IR data would only be meaningful if the same phosphane ligand (dⁱppe) was applied, it is evident from a qualitative examination of the available data that the coordination shifts $\Delta\nu$ (C=H) and $\Delta\nu$ (C=C) are distinctly smaller for the Pd⁰-1-alkyne derivatives.

In the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (Table 2) of the mononuclear complexes **1a**–**3a**, **4**, and **5** the alkyne \equiv CH and $-C \equiv$ resonances are shifted by $\Delta \delta_{\rm H} = 3.9-$ 4.7 ppm and $\Delta \delta_{\rm C} = 28-45$ ppm to low field as compared to the uncoordinated alkyne (for **5**, $\Delta \delta_{\rm C}(\text{SiC} \equiv) = 21.2$ ppm appears to be exceptionally small). When the dinuclear derivatives **1b**–**3b** are formed from **1a**–**3a**,

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Table 1. Selected IR (Raman) Data for the Alkyne Ligands of the Mono- and Dinuclear (dippe)Pd⁰-AlkyneComplexes 1-6 and 8-11

	ŕ	ν (C-H) (cm ⁻¹)			ν (C=C) (cm ⁻¹)	
	free alkyne	coord alkyne	$\Delta \nu$	free alkyne	coord alkyne	$\Delta \nu$
1a	3374 (Ra) sym ^a	3125 sym	249	1974 (Ra) ^a	1619	355
	3289 asym ^a	3085 asym	204			
1b	0	3065 sym ^b	309		1370	604
2a	3344/23 ^c	3107	227	2152/27 ^c	1756	384
2b		3058	276		1528	612
3a	3291	3062	229	2110	1720	390
3b		3055	236		1524	586
4	3273	3087	186	2127	1718^{d}	409
5	3293	3099	194	2036	1710	326
6a	3298	3087	211	2105	1717	388
6c		3080 ^e	(218)		1498	607
8a				2240 (Ra)	1862	378
8b					1618	622
9				2223 (Ra)	1827	396
10				2248 (Ra)	1811 ^d	437
11				2110 (Ra)	1771	339

^{*a*} Gaseous ethyne. ^{*b*} Very weak band; hard to detect. ^{*c*} Gaseous propyne; P and R branches. ^{*d*} Band involves C–C and C–O stretchings. ^{*e*} Assignment uncertain due to olefinic C–H bands occurring in the same region.

Table 2. Selected ¹H, ¹³C, and ³¹P NMR Data for the Mono- and Dinuclear (dⁱppe)Pd⁰-Alkyne Complexes1-6 and 8-11^a

	(δ _H (≡CH)			δ _C (−C≡)			δ _C (≡CH)				
	coord alkyne	free alkyne	$\Delta \delta_{ m H}$	coord alkyne	free alkyne	$\Delta \delta_{\rm C}$	coord alkyne	free alkyne	$\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{C}}$	¹ <i>J</i> (CH) ^d coord alkyne	$\delta_{ m P}$	$^{2}J(\mathbf{PP})^{d}$
1a	6.91	2.40	4.51				106.6	71.9	34.7	211	69.5	
1b	5.75		3.35				67.7		-4.2	200	59.9	
$2\mathbf{a}^{b}$	6.21	1.80	4.41	116.0	80.0	36.0	96.4	68.3	28.1	212	68.0, 67.8	45
2 b ^b	5.44		3.64	85.4		5.4	67.7		-0.6	196	59.3, 57.3 ^e	
3a	7.36	3.44	3.92	129.4	84.9	44.5	107.7	79.2	28.5	211	70.6, 67.5	34
3b	5.78		2.34	92.2		7.3	66.6		-12.6	198	61.3, 55.1 ^e	
4	7.34	3.49	3.85	117.5	75.4	42.1	112.2	76.6	35.6	210	74.2, 71.3	19
5	7.26	2.58	4.68	116.3	95.1	21.2	121.3	89.8	31.5	212	68.5, 65.9	46
6a ^c	7.13	3.30	3.83	123.5	82.8	40.7	109.8	79.4	30.4		69.9, 68.4	32
6c ^c	5.49		2.19	88.5		5.7	65.5		-13.9		61.1, 57.7 ^e	
8a				106.6	74.9	31.7					67.1 ^c	
8b ^b				84.9		10.0					58.0	
9				126.1	90.1	36.0					67.5	
10				122.7	74.9	47.8					75.7	
11				134.7	114.0	20.7					63.4	

^{*a*} Solvent THF-*d*₈, temperature 27 °C. ^{*b*} Temperature -30 °C. ^{*c*} Temperature -80 °C. ^{*d*} Coupling constant in hertz. ^{*e*} Approximate values of a nonsimulated AA'BB' spin system.

an opposite shift to high field is observed, so that the coordination chemical shifts¹⁷ $\Delta \delta_{\rm H}$ and $\Delta \delta_{\rm C}$ are now markedly smaller and even become negative for the unsubstituted alkyne C atom. For mononuclear 2a, 3a, **4**, and **5** ABX spin systems are observed for the $\equiv CH$ (A, B = 31 P; X = 1 H) and the \equiv *C*H and $-C \equiv$ resonances (A, $B = {}^{31}P$; $X = {}^{13}C$), and for dinuclear **2b** and **3b** the corresponding nuclei give rise to well-resolved A2B2X multiplets ("triplet of triplets"). In agreement with this, the ³¹P NMR spectra display sharp AB (2a, 3a, 4, 5) or AA'BB' (2b, 3b) multiplets. When the solution of 2a,b is warmed from -30 to 27 °C, the HC=CCH₃ ligand resonances are *slightly* broadened but the multiplet patterns are maintained.¹⁸ It follows from these features that for both mono- and dinuclear complexes the coordination of the 1-alkyne to the (dippe)Pd⁰ moieties can be considered to be rigid on the NMR time scale (C_s symmetry). For **2a**,**b** the spectra indicate a "starting" slow rotation" at ambient temperature.

With regard to the coupling constant ${}^{1}J(CH)$ of the 1-alkyne ligand, it has been found that it is lowered from about 250 Hz for the uncoordinated 1-alkyne to about 211 Hz in the mononuclear complexes (**1a**, **2a**, **3a**, **4**, **5**) and to \leq 200 Hz in the dinuclear derivatives (**1b**, **2b**, **3b**).

(dⁱppe)Pd⁰–Vinylacetylene Complexes (6a–c). After we had established that 1-alkynes indeed form stable complexes with Pd⁰, it was of further interest to explore how the reactivity of the terminal C=C bond is influenced by conjugation to a C=C or C=C bond. For this purpose we studied [(dⁱppe)Pd⁰] coordination compounds with vinylacetylene and butadiyne (see below).

When vinylacetylene is added to a pentane solution of $(d^ippe)Pd(C_2H_4)$ at -78 °C, colorless crystals of **6a,b** precipitate in almost quantitative yield. According to the IR spectrum this precipitate consists of a roughly 4:1 mixture of complex isomers in which the enyne ligand is coordinated by either the C=C bond (**6a**) or the C=C bond (**6b**) to Pd⁰ (Scheme 3). Thus, the major isomer **6a** displays absorption bands (Table 1) at 3087 and 1717 cm⁻¹ for the η^2 -C=CH moiety and further

⁽¹⁷⁾ The ¹H and ¹³C coordination chemical shift, i.e., the change in chemical shift which the alkyne experiences upon coordination to a metal center, is defined by $\Delta \delta = \delta_{\text{ligand}} - \delta_{\text{free alkyne}}$. Thus, typical alkyne coordination shifts to lower field are positive, whereas those to higher field are negative. Jolly, P. W.; Mynott, R. *Adv. Organomet. Chem.* **1981**, *19*, 257.

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bands at 3010 and 1582 cm^{-1} for the uncoordinated CH=CH₂ function (cf. vinylacetylene: 3106, 3016 (=C-H) and 1599 (C=C) cm⁻¹), whereas absorption bands at 3317 and 2068 cm⁻¹ are attributed to the uncoordinated C=CH moiety of the η^2 -CH=CH₂ isomer **6b**. The same mixture of isomers is isolated when the reaction is carried out in diethyl ether at 20 °C and the product is crystallized at -30 or -78 °C. The η^2 -C=CH isomer 6a is considered to be thermodynamically slightly more stable than the η^2 -CH=CH₂ isomer **6b**. The presence of **6b** in the solid is deemed to result from a crystallization effect. According to the ¹H and ³¹P NMR spectra, a solution (THF- d_8) of **6a,b** at -80 °C contains almost exclusively 6a but an increasing amount of 6b (40%) is formed when the solution is warmed to ambient temperature. Complex **6a**,**b** is only moderately soluble in THF at low temperature and is even less so in diethyl ether. It slowly decomposes as a solid (mp 76 °C) at 20 °C and is somewhat less stable in solution. By solution thermolysis (20 °C) some dinuclear 6c but no 12 (see below) is formed. In the EI mass spectrum 6a,b exhibit a molecular ion (m/e 420, 6%) which fragments by cleavage of the enyne ligand to afford the base ion [(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺ (*m*/*e* 368).

In the solution ¹H NMR spectrum (-80 °C) the acetylenic proton of 6a gives rise to a low-field doublet of doublets ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.13) due to different couplings ${}^{3}J(PH)_{trans}$ and ${}^{3}J(PH)_{cis}$. Both the chemical shift and the multiplet structure are typical for (dⁱppe)Pd⁰-1alkyne complexes (Table 2). Concerning the vinyl protons, the signal of $CH_2 = CH$ is also at relatively low field ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.97) but for the terminal protons ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.40 $(=CHH_Z)$, 5.25 $(=CH_EH)$) the changes in the chemical shift are less pronounced as compared to uncoordinated vinylacetylene ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.30 (HC=), 5.81 (-CH=), 5.65 (=CHH_Z), 5.50 (=CH_EH)). Similarly, the ¹³C NMR signals for the coordinated C=C bond at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 123.5 (=C-) and 109.8 (=CH) (Table 2) are at significantly lower field from the corresponding signals of uncoordinated vinylacetylene ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 82.8 (\equiv C–), 79.4 (\equiv CH)) and display distinctly different couplings ²J(PC)_{trans} (ca. 65 Hz) and 2 J(PC)_{cis} (ca. 4 Hz), whereas the vinyl signals at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 128.1 (-CH=) and 120.7 (=CH₂) are close to those of uncoordinated vinylacetylene (δ_C 117.5 (-CH=), 128.4 (=CH₂)). Furthermore, the dⁱppe ligand ¹H and ¹³C signals of **6a** indicate C_s symmetry of the complex (the mirror plane passing through Pd, both P atoms, and the vinylacetylene skeleton), in agreement with a coordinated C=C bond, whereas for 6b (coordinated unsymmetrical C=C bond) C_1 symmetry is expected.

In contrast, for the vinylacetylene ligand in **6b** (20 $^{\circ}$ C) all ¹H resonances are shifted to higher field as



compared to uncoordinated vinylacetylene. Most strongly affected are the protons =CH– ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.12) and =CH_ZH_E ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 2.49, 2.36) of the coordinated vinyl group. The =CH resonance ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 2.63) is still in the range expected for uncoordinated alkynes, and the moderate high-field shift is explained by a weakened conjugation between C=C and the (now coordinated) C=C bond. An assignment of the dⁱppe resonances of **6b** is difficult to achieve because of the expected low symmetry and the presence of the isomer mixture.

In the ³¹P NMR spectrum (27 °C) the isomers **6a** and **6b** display sharp AB spin systems. For **6b** the signals are at somewhat higher field and ${}^{2}J(PP) = 43$ Hz is larger than for **6a** (32 Hz), indicating that in **6b** more charge remains at the Pd atom due to a weaker electron withdrawal induced by the vinyl group as compared to that by the alkyne moiety in **6a**.

It follows from the NMR spectra that in the complexes neither the alkyne ligand (**6a**) nor the vinyl ligand (**6b**) rotates rapidly about the bond axis to $[(d^ippe)Pd^0]$. Furthermore, the isomerization reaction **6a** \Rightarrow **6b** (Scheme 3) is slow at 20 °C on the NMR time scale and no exchange of **6a,b** with uncoordinated vinylacetylene has been detected (¹H NMR). In compliance with other exchange reactions of oligofunctional alkenes (butadiene, isoprene,¹⁹ *p*-benzoquinone, cyclooctadiene, 1,5hexadiene,² stannacyclopentadiene,^{12b} cyclooctatetraene^{6c}) at *TP*-3 Pd⁰ we suppose that the slow isomerization **6a** \Rightarrow **6b** proceeds by an *intramolecular* mechanism via a *T*-4 Pd⁰ transition state (Scheme 4).

The fact that in mononuclear **6a,b** the $[(d^ippe)Pd^0]$ fragment is coordinated to the C=C bond **(6a)** *or* the C=C bond **(6b)** led to the expectation that in a dinuclear derivative **(6c)** the $[(d^ippe)Pd^0]$ fragments were coordinated to both C=C *and* C=C bonds. This is, however, not true. When the ethereal solution of **6a,b** is treated at 0 °C with an equimolar amount of $(d^ippe)Pd(\eta^2-C_6H_{10})$, generated in situ from $(d^ippe)Pd(\eta^1-C_3H_5)_2$, orange crystals of the dinuclear vinylacetylene complex **6c** are obtained (-78 °C) (Scheme 3). As follows from the MS, IR, and NMR data, the $[(d^ippe)Pd^0]$ fragments in **6c** are coordinated exclusively to the C=C bond.

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(R₂PC₂H₄PR₂)Pd⁰-1-Alkyne Complexes

The mass spectrum of 6c displays M⁺, the alkynefree ion $[Pd_2(d^ippe)_2]^+$ (12⁺, see below) typical for $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu - alkyne) \text{ complexes, and the base ion}$ $[(d^{i}ppe)Pd]^{+}$. In the IR spectrum a band at 1498 cm⁻¹ can be assigned to the bridging 1-alkyne ligand, whereas ν (C=C) 1600 cm⁻¹ corresponds to the uncoordinated vinyl group. In the ¹H NMR spectrum (-80 °C) of 6c the \equiv CH resonance at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.49 represents a triplet of triplets due to the couplings to two pairs of formally trans- and cis-positioned P atoms. The signal of CH₂=C*H*- is shifted further to low field ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.16), but the signals of the terminal vinyl protons ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.79 $(=CHH_Z)$, 4.32 $(=CH_EH)$) are at relatively high field (cf. **6a**). Correspondingly, the ¹³C resonances of $\equiv C - (\delta_C)$ 88.5) and \equiv CH ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 65.5) are of the magnitude (cf. Table 2) and display phosphorus couplings as expected for a μ -alkyne ligand. For the uncoordinated vinyl group the -CH= signal is shifted further to low field ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 142.7) and the =CH₂ signal is shifted further to high field ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 104.1) in the following sequence: uncoordinated vinylacetylene \rightarrow **6a** \rightarrow **6c**. The high-field location and the AA'BB' multiplet of the ³¹P signals are also indicative of a $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu-1-alkyne)$ complex.

At 27 °C the vinylacetylene ¹H signals and the ³¹P NMR signals are significantly broadened, indicating a dynamic structure of 6c. The structural dynamics of 6c are *intramolecular* and are not due to cleavage of one [(dⁱppe)Pd⁰] fragment, as evidenced by the fact that for a mixture of 6c and 6a,b (27 °C) the NMR signals of the latter remain sharp. Taking into account that **3b**, which is strongly related to **6c**, is structurally rigid, we exclude the possibility that the dynamics of 6c are represented by a simple rotation of the [(dⁱppe)Pd⁰] groups about the coordination axis to the $C \equiv C$ bond. Instead, we suggest that one of the [(dippe)Pd⁰] fragments in 6c migrates to the vinyl bond and there the [(dⁱppe)Pd⁰] fragment rotates about the coordination axis to the (more weakly coordinated) C=C bond. By return to the C=C bond the pairwise corresponding nuclei of the dⁱppe ligand have equilibrated (Scheme 4). The dynamics of the [(dippe)Pd0] fragments in 6c proceed more easily than in 6a due to an increased charge at the vinylacetylene ligand. We finally note that at 20 °C a slow solution thermolysis of 6c starts which does not produce alkyne-free 12 (as for 3a,b ("activated alkyne")), although 2a,b and 8a,b ("nonactivated alkynes") do.

(dⁱppe)M⁰-Butadiyne Complexes (7a-f). We have already communicated that butadiyne is coordinated at Ni(0) to form the mono- and dinuclear complexes (ⁱPr₂P(CH₂)_nPⁱPr₂)Ni(η^2 -HC=CC=CH) (n = 2 (7a), 3) and {(ⁱPr₂P(CH₂)_nPⁱPr₂)Ni}₂{ μ -(1,2- η^2):(3,4- η^2)-HC=CC= CH} (n = 2 (7b), 3), which have also been structurally characterized.²⁰ In addition, for n = 2 (dⁱppe) mononuclear derivatives of the heavier homologues (dⁱppe)M-(η^2 -HC=CC=CH) (M = Pd (7c), Pt (7f)) have been synthesized.^{6,21} When 1 mol equiv of butadiyne is added to the colorless pentane solution of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) at -30 °C, off-white microcrystals of 7c precipitate in 93% yield. Similarly, the reaction of dⁱppe/Pt(cod)₂ (cod = 1,5-cyclooctadiene)²² and butadiyne affords yelloworange cubes of 7f (75%) (Scheme 5).



Complexes 7a.c.f. as solids and in solution. are stable at ambient temperature for several days. In the EI mass spectra the molecular ions are observed. Cleavage of the butadiyne ligand affords $[(d^{i}ppe)M]^{+}$ as base ions.¹⁶ The IR and ¹H and ¹³C NMR data of the butadiyne ligands of 7a.c.f are compiled in Table 3. Concerning the IR spectra, the most characteristic are ν (C–H) and ν (C=C) of the coordinated C=C bond, for which the wavenumbers are largest for 7c, lowest for 7f, and intermediate for 7a, consistent with an increase in the back-bonding ability in the series $Pd^0 < Ni(0) <$ Pt(0).^{23a,24} With respect to the ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, the downfield complexation shifts of the resonances of the coordinated HC=C bonds are smallest for 7c. In a comparison of 7a and 7f, the proton resonance of 7f ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 8.41) is at an exceedingly low field but the ¹³C resonances are almost coincident.

For **7a,c,f** the ³¹P NMR spectra display AB type spin systems. It follows from the NMR spectra that all complexes are rigid (relative to the NMR time scale) with respect to both a rotation of the coordinated $C \equiv C$ bond about the bond axis to the metal and an exchange of coordinated and uncoordinated $C \equiv C$ bonds.

When **7c** is reacted with $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{2}-C_{6}H_{10})$, generated in situ from $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{1}-C_{3}H_{5})_{2}$, a brown solution is obtained (0 °C) from which the dinuclear Pd⁰– butadiyne complex **7d** crystallizes at -78 °C over the course of several weeks (Scheme 6). Complex **7d** is fairly stable (dec pt >65 °C). The composition is confirmed by the EI mass spectrum (130 °C), which displays the molecular ion (m/e 786). Loss of the butadiyne ligand affords **12**⁺, which monomerizes into [(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺. Complex **7d** corresponds to the structurally characterized Ni analogue **7b**, as follows from

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		Z	i (7a), Pd (7c),	Pt (7f)) and	Dinuclear	{(d ⁱ ppe)M	[} ₂ (μ-η ² :η	z-HC=CC=C	= W) (H;	: Ni (7b), Pd	((7d,e)) ^a			
										$\delta_{\rm C}$				
			$\nu \ (\mathrm{cm}^{-1})$		Q	H				i				1
compd (M)	$\rm C-H_{free}$	$\rm C-H_{coord}$	C≡C _{free}	C≡C _{coord}	≡CH _{coord}	≡CH _{free}	ĨĬ	CHcoord		C-coord		CHfree		C-free
C_4H_2	3341/24 asym ^b		2172 (Ra) sym 2027/11 asym ^b			2.06					65.3	¹ J(CH) 259	67.5	
7a (Ni)	3307	3057	2068	1669	7.44	4.43	129.5	¹ J(CH) 200	122.1	² J(CH) 11	90.4	¹ J(CH) 248	81.4	² J(CH) 50
7c (Pd)	3314	3075°	2066	1690	7.19	4.10	112.8	¹ J(CH) 210	106.9	² J(CH) 10	86.6	¹ J(CH) 249	80.7	² J(CH) 52
7f (Pt)	3311	3049	2062	1621	8.41	4.06	130.2	¹ J(PtC) 327 ¹ J(CH) 200	120.4	¹ J(PtC) 303 ² J(CH) 10	87.6	³ J(PtC) 20 ¹ J(CH) 249	82.7	² J(PtC) 33 ² J(CH) 50
7b (Ni) 7d (Pd)		3085 3124		1760/1601 1820/1638	6.85 6.55		116.3 99.7	¹ J(CH) 202	132.1 115.7					
7e (Pd)	d	q	d	d	5.37	2.93	69.0	¹ J(CH) 191	61.5	² J(CH) 12	70.8	¹ J(CH) 243	92.0	² J(CH) 50
^a Coupling	constants in	hertz. ^b Gase	eous butadiyne; P	and R branches	s. ^c Very weal	s. ^d Not reco	rded.							



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concurring butadiyne ligand IR and NMR data (Table 3). Again, the coordination shifts of the butadiyne ligand IR bands and NMR resonances are smaller for **7d** than for **7b**, in agreement with a lower back-bonding strength of Pd⁰ as compared to Ni(0). The dⁱppe NMR signals of **7d** indicate C_{2v} or C_{2h} symmetry in solution. Thus, the two [(dⁱppe)Pd] moieties in **7d** are coordinated at *different* C=C bonds of a bridging butadiyne ligand.

When a THF- d_8 solution of **7d** is kept at -80 °C, a slow isomerization takes place to afford **7e**. The isomerization is complete after about 1 week. According to the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (Table 3) the [(dⁱppe)Pd] moieties in **7e** are coordinated to the *same* C=C bond of a bridging butadiyne ligand (similar to the case for **2b**, **3b**, and **6c**). Thereby, a rather rigid structure results, and the symmetry of the complex is lowered to C_s . When the solution of **7e** is warmed to 0 °C, the isomerization is only partially reversed. It has not been attempted to isolate **7e**. Apparently, isomers **7d** and **7e** are in slow equilibrium and subtle effects determine which one is preferred. While **7e** is thermodynamically favored in solution, crystallization affords **7d**.

(dippe)Pd⁰ Complexes with MeC=CMe, PhC=C-Ph, MeO₂CC=CCO₂Me, and Me₃SiC=CSiMe₃ (8-**11).** For reasons of comparison we have also prepared some (dⁱppe)Pd⁰ complexes with internal alkynes. The substituents of these alkynes are of the same kind as in the case of the 1-alkyne complexes 2-5. When to a solution of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ in pentane or diethyl ether 2-butyne (0 °C), tolane, acetylenedicarboxylic acid dimethyl ester, and bis(trimethylsilyl)acetylene (all 20 °C) are added, colorless off-white crystals of the mononuclear complexes 8a and 9-11 are obtained in 80-90% yield (Scheme 7).²³ Solutions of 9–11 are stable at 20 °C for at least several days. Complex 8a partially eliminates 2-butyne in solution to produce small amounts of dinuclear **8b**. The latter has been prepared in a pure state by treating **8a** with $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{2}-C_{6}H_{10})$, obtained in situ from $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{1}-C_{3}H_{5})_{2}$, to afford yellow crystals of **8b** in 85% yield.²⁵ When a solution of **8b** in THF- d_8 is kept at 20 °C for a few hours, the ³¹P NMR spectrum shows, besides the singlet of **8b** (δ_P 56.4, 70%), additional singlets of equal intensity (each 15%) for mononuclear **8a** (δ_P 67.1) and dinuclear alkyne-free **12** $(\delta_{\rm P} 33.7)$ due to an equilibrium between these complexes (Scheme 8). No byproducts are detected. Complex 12

⁽²⁵⁾ Without question dinuclear derivatives of 9-11 can also be prepared by applying a procedure similar to that for **8b**, although this has not been attempted by us.



is exceedingly soluble in ordinary solvents and has not been isolated so far.²⁶ It is assumed that **12** is analogous to the structurally characterized $Pd_2\{\mu-(c-C_6H_{11})_2-PC_2H_4P(c-C_6H_{11})_2\}_2$.²⁷

Properties of 8-11. The melting points of the mono- and dinuclear 2-butyne complexes 8a,b (about 80 °C) and of the Me₃SiC=CSiMe₃ complex **11** (50 °C) are rather low, whereas those of the other derivatives are higher (9, 166 °C; 10, 101 °C). Solutions of 9-11 and added alkyne (C₂Ph₂, C₂(COOMe)₂, or C₂(SiMe₃)₂) show no reaction at 20 °C over several days,28 in contrast to the corresponding 1-alkyne complexes. In the EI mass spectra of the mononuclear complexes (8a, 9-11) the molecular ions are observed, whereas for dinuclear **8b** the largest detected ion is alkyne-free [(dⁱ ppe_2Pd_2 ⁺ (**12**⁺, 23%). In the IR spectra (Table 1) the $C \equiv C$ stretching frequencies of the disubstituted alkyne ligands occur at $1840 \pm 30 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (11, 1771 cm⁻¹) and thus, as expected, are at higher wavenumbers than for the 1-alkyne complexes. The complexation shift Δv -(C=C) of the disubstituted alkyne ligands, however, is of magnitude similar to that for the corresponding 1-alkyne complexes.

The ¹H and ³¹P NMR spectra of 9-11 (Table 2) are not very informative and serve only to confirm the

composition and purity of the complexes. The ¹³C resonances of the (quaternary) C=C atoms represent for **9** an ABX multiplet and for **10** a doublet $({}^{2}J(PC)_{trans} =$ 74 Hz; ${}^{2}J(PC)_{cis}$ is very small). Thus, different couplings to *trans* and *cis* ³¹P nuclei are observed in agreement with a static C=C bond coordination in these complexes.

Concerning the 2-butyne complexes 8a,b, the ¹³C multiplet structure of the 2-butyne C≡C atoms has not been sufficiently resolved to allow an unequivocal assignment to a certain spin system (ABX, A₂X, A₂B₂X, or A_4X). However, the CH₃ ¹H resonance of the 2-butyne ligand in mononuclear $\mathbf{8a}$ (δ_{H} 2.51) also represents an ABX multiplet, whereas the corresponding CH₃ signal of dinuclear **8b** ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 2.86) is a sharp A₄X quintet at 27 °C (unresolved at -30 °C). It is concluded from these spectra that at ambient temperature and relative to the NMR time scale the rotation of the (dⁱppe)Pd⁰ moieties about the bond axis to the 2-butyne ligand is slow for 8a (similar as for the propyne complex 2a) but rapid for **8b** (in contrast to **2b**). The anticipated bond rotation in **8b** is presumably due to the increased charge at the bridging $C \equiv C$ bond, resulting from the inductive effect of two Me substituents and back-bonding from two Pd⁰ centers.

Discussion

We have described a series of novel mono- and dinuclear (dⁱppe)Pd⁰-1-alkyne complexes (**2**-7) and also some derivatives with internal alkynes (**8**-11). Although the former are in general thermally somewhat less stable than the latter, the Pd⁰-1-alkyne complexes should not be regarded as particularly unstable, in contrast to prior perception. The following features of the complexes are worth emphasizing:

(a) The relatively small and "fixed" bite of the d^ippe ligand at Pd⁰ (87.2°), as compared to monodentate phosphanes and to bidentate ligands $R'_2P(CH_2)_nPR'_2$ (n > 2) forming larger chelate rings, contributes to the stabilization of the complexes because of an increased back-donation from Pd⁰ to the alkyne ligand. Thus, no alkyne ligand dissociation has been observed on the NMR time scale, in contrast to, e.g., extensive alkyne ligand dissociation of (${}^{i}Pr_{3}P)_{2}Pd(C_{2}Ph_{2})$.^{23e}

(b) As one might expect, *alkyne coordination* to the $[(d^ippe)Pd^0]$ fragment is generally weaker for alkynes with electron-donating substituents and stronger for those with electron-withdrawing substituents. Thus, in solution the mononuclear complexes **2a** and **8a** slowly eliminate propyne or 2-butyne to form the dinuclear complexes **2b** and **8b** as primary products. Similarly, while monophenyl-substituted **3a** slowly eliminates PhC₂H to form **3b**, the tolane derivative **9** is stable. In contrast, for COOMe- and SiMe₃-substituted alkynes the mononuclear complexes **(4, 10** and **5, 11)** are stable.

For the mononuclear Pd⁰–alkyne complexes the IR and ¹³C NMR complexation shifts $\Delta\nu$ (C=C) and $\Delta\delta$ -(C=C) respectively display an approximately linear correlation with the inductive effect substituent constant σ_{I}^{29a} of R.^{29b} The data confirm similar correlations established before for related alkyne complexes.³⁰

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(c) As determined by NMR, the mononuclear (dⁱppe)-Pd⁰-alkyne complexes of ethyne, 1-alkynes, and internal alkynes are rigid (27 °C) with respect to a possible *alkyne ligand rotation* about the bond axis to Pd⁰. While this also holds for dinuclear **1b** (ethyne) and largely for **2b** (propyne), a corresponding rotation indeed takes place in the case of **8b**, where the 2-butyne ligand is relatively electron-rich.

(d) With respect to possible *secondary reactions*, initiated for example by a C–H activation step of the 1-alkyne, the pure $(d^ippe)Pd^0-1$ -alkyne complexes are surprisingly stable. Such a reaction has to be taken into account only when an excess of the 1-alkyne is present, thereby facilitating an anticipated C–H addition of a further alkyne molecule to the initially formed 16e complex by an associative mechanism. This secondary reaction is especially severe for the MeO₂CC=CH complex **4**, which may explain why former attempts to synthesize such complexes had failed. Secondary reactions are retarded by carrying out the synthesis of the complexes at low temperature.

In conclusion, due to the electronic and steric properties (strong chelate effect) of the dⁱppe ligand the $[(d^ippe)Pd^0]$ fragment withstands a lowering of the phosphane ligation from L₂Pd⁰ to L-Pd⁰ or phosphanefree Pd⁰, which are considered to be catalytically more active species,^{10,23b} and as a result L₂Pd⁰-1-alkyne complexes are easily isolable.³¹

Experimental Section

To exclude oxygen and moisture, all operations were conducted under an atmosphere of argon by standard Schlenk techniques. $Pd(\eta^3-C_3H_5)_2$, ³² $Pd(\eta^3-2-MeC_3H_4)_2$, ³² $(d^ippe)Pd(\eta^1-d^ippe)$ $C_{3}H_{5})_{2,2}^{2}$ (dⁱppe)Pd(η^{1} -2-MeC₃H₄)_{2,3} (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄),² and Pt-(cod)₂³³ were prepared by published procedures. Microanalyses were performed by the Mikroanalytisches Labor Kolbe, Mülheim, Germany. ¹H NMR spectra (δ relative to internal TMS) were measured at 200, 300, and 400 MHz, ¹³C NMR spectra (δ relative to internal TMS) at 50.3, 75.5, and 100.6 MHz, and ^{31}P NMR spectra (δ relative to external 85% aqueous H_3PO_4) at 81, 121.5, and 162 MHz on Bruker AM-200, WM-300, and WH-400 instruments. For all NMR spectra solutions of the compounds in THF- d_8 were used. EI mass spectra were recorded at 70 eV on a Finnigan MAT 8200, IR spectra on Nicolet FT 7199 and Magna-IR 750 spectrometers, and Raman spectra on a Coderg LRT 800 spectrometer (excitation by argon ion laser at 4880 Å).

(dⁱppe)Pd(MeC≡CH) (2a). To the colorless pentane solution (10 mL) of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) (1.984 g, 5.0 mmol) is added propyne (1 mL, 17.6 mmol) at -30 °C. The mixture is warmed to 0 °C, whereupon the color changes to orange. After filtration (D4 glass frit) to remove insoluble impurities, orange microcrystals separate at -78 °C. The mother liquor is cannulated away from the solid. The latter is subsequently washed twice with cold pentane and dried under vacuum at -30 °C: yield 1.62 g (79%); mp 38 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₃₆P₂Pd (408.8): C, 49.94; H, 8.88; P, 15.15; Pd, 26.03. Found: C, 49.66; H, 9.15; P, 15.10; Pd, 25.91. EI-MS (50 °C): *m*/*e* (%) 408 (M⁺, 10), 368 ([(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺, 100), 40 ([MeC≡CH]⁺, 78). IR

(KBr): see Table 1. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, −30 °C): δ 6.21 (m, 1 H, ≡CH), 2.64 (m, 3 H, ≡CMe), propyne; 2.0 (4 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.6 (4 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.1 (four unresolved signals 24 H, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, −80 °C): δ 116.6 [1 C, ²*J*(PC)_{trans} = 52.5 Hz, ²*J*(PC)_{cis} = 24.3 Hz, ²*J*(CH) = 9 Hz, ≡CMe], 96.4 [1 C, ¹*J*(CH) = 212 Hz, ²*J*(PC)_{trans} = 56.0 Hz, ²*J*(PC)_{cis} = 2.9 Hz, ≡CH], 17.6 [1 C, ³*J*(PC) = 19.1 Hz, ³*J*(PC) = 12.4 Hz, Me], propyne; 26.0, 25.9 [each 1 C, ¹*J*(PC) = 4.8 Hz, PCH and P'CH], 22.7, 22.3 [each 1 C, ¹*J*(PC) = 18 Hz, PCH₂ and P'CH₂], 20.3 [4 C, ²*J*(PC) = 10.5 Hz, set of diastereotopic Me], 18.9 [4 C, ²*J*(PC) = 15.3 Hz, set of diastereotopic Me], dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, −30 °C): see Table 2. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, 27 °C): δ 68.2 (coalesced signal).

 $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu-MeC \equiv CH) (2b)$. An ethereal solution (5) mL) of 2a (409 mg, 1.0 mmol) is combined at -78 °C with a cream-colored suspension of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{1}-C_{3}H_{5})_{2}$ (451 mg, 1.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (10 mL). When the mixture is warmed to 0 °C, a yellow solution is obtained from which off-white crystals separate at -30/-78 °C. The product is isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at 0 °C: yield 620 mg (80%); mp 70 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C31H68P4Pd2 (777.6): C, 47.88; H, 8.81; P, 15.93; Pd, 27.37. Found: C, 47.83; H, 8.82; P, 15.76; Pd, 27.53. EI-MS (120 °C): m/e (%) 736 (12⁺, 3), 368 ([(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺, 100), 40 ([MeC=CH]⁺, 50). IR (KBr): see Table 1. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, -30 °C): δ 5.44 [tt, 1 H, ${}^{3}J(PH)_{trans} = 18$ Hz, ${}^{3}J(PH)_{cis} = 6$ Hz, $\equiv CH$], 2.92 [t, 3 H, ${}^{4}J(PH) = 8$ Hz, =CMe], propyne; 2.0–1.7 (four unresolved signals, 8 H, PCH), 1.5-1.3 (four unresolved signals, 8 H, PCH₂), 1.1–0.8 (eight unresolved signals, 48 H, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, -30 °C): δ 85.4 [tt, 1 C, ²*J*(PC)_{trans} = 47 Hz, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{cis} = 6$ Hz, $\equiv CMe$], 67.7 [tt, 1 C, ${}^{1}J(CH) = 196$ Hz, $^{2}J(PC)_{trans} = 46$ Hz, $^{2}J(PC)_{cis} = 7$ Hz, \equiv CH], \sim 26 (obscured CH₃), propyne; 25.9 (8 C, four unresolved signals PCH), 22.7 (4 C, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 21.1, 20.8, 20.3, 20.0, 19.6 (each 2 C), 18.9 (4 C), 18.7 (2 C, Me), dippe. ³¹P NMR (121.5 MHz, -30 °C): see Table 2.

(dⁱppe)Pd(PhC=CH) (3a). To a colorless solution of (dⁱppe)Pd(C_2H_4) (794 mg, 2.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (10 mL) is added PhC=CH (0.5 mL, 4.5 mmol) at 0 °C. When the solution is cooled to -30/-78 °C, colorless crystals are obtained, which are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at 20 °C: yield 735 mg (78%); mp 81 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₃₈P₂-Pd (470.9): C, 56.11; H, 8.13; P, 13.15; Pd, 22.60. Found: C, 56.21; H, 7.99; P, 13.21; Pd, 22.60. EI-MS (50 °C): m/e (%) 470 (M⁺, 6), 368 ([(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺, 100), 102 ([PhC≡CH]⁺, 94). IR (KBr): see Table 1. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, 27 °C): δ 7.51 (C₆H), 7.17 (C_yH), 7.01 (C_bH, C₆H₅), 7.36 [dd, 1 H, ${}^{3}J$ (PH)_{trans} = 30.8 Hz, ${}^{3}J(PH)_{cis} = 16.5$ Hz, $\equiv CH$], alkyne; 2.1 (4 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.7 (4 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.1 (four unresolved signals, 24 H, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, 27 °C): δ 133.0 (1 C, C_{α}), 131.9 (2 C, C_{β}), 128.5 (2 C, C_{γ}), 126.0 (1 C, $C_{\delta}, C_{6}H_{5}$), 129.4 $(1 \text{ C}, \equiv \text{C}-\text{quaternary}), 107.7 [1 \text{ C}, {}^{2}J(\text{PC})_{\text{trans}} = 64 \text{ Hz}, {}^{2}J(\text{PC})_{\text{cis}}$ = 3 Hz, =CH], alkyne; 27.1 [2 C, ${}^{1}J(PC) = 11.3$ Hz, ${}^{3}J(P'C) =$ 4.4 Hz, PCH], 26.4 [2 C, ${}^{1}J(P'C) = 10.5$ Hz, ${}^{3}J(PC) = 3.5$ Hz, P'CH], 23.8 [1 C, ${}^{1}J(PC) = 20.1$ Hz, ${}^{2}J(P'C) = 17.4$ Hz, PCH₂], 23.0 [1 C, ${}^{1}J(P'C) \approx {}^{2}J(PC) \approx 17$ Hz, $P'CH_{2}$], 20.8, 20.8, 19.7, 19.4 (each 2 C, Me), dippe. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, 27 °C): see Table 2.

Crystal Structure Determination of 3a. A crystal (yellow plates) of dimensions $0.32 \times 0.53 \times 0.53$ mm was used for X-ray crystallography. Preliminary examination and data collection were performed at 20 °C with Mo K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.710$ 69 Å) on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer equipped with a graphite incident beam monochromator. Crystal data: C₂₂H₃₈P₂Pd, $M_r = 470.86$, monoclinic, space group P_{21}/n (No. 14), a = 12.0451(14) Å, b = 15.1265(14) Å, c = 14.382(3) Å, $\beta = 110.467(12)^\circ$, V = 2455.0(6) Å³, Z = 4, $D_{calcd} = 1.274$ g cm⁻³, absorption coefficient 0.889 mm⁻¹, F(000) = 984, no absorption correction. A total of 5807 measured reflections, 5593 unique, were obtained using an $\omega - 2\theta$ scan technique with a scan rate of $1-5^\circ \min^{-1}$ (in ω). The structure was solved by SHELXS-86³⁴ and refined by SHELXL-93³⁵ (on F^2) to a final R1 = 0.0375, wR2 = 0.0891 (observed reflections).

⁽³¹⁾ Concerning Pd⁰ ligated by *monodentate* phosphanes, besides the isolated $(Me_3P)_2Pd(HC=CH)^{12}$ and $({}^{1}Pr_3P)_2Pd(HC=CH)^{12}$ we have characterized $(Me_3P)_2Pd(Me_3SiC=CH)$ in solution (NMR).³ (32) See ref 2 and literature cited therein

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(R₂PC₂H₄PR₂)Pd⁰-1-Alkyne Complexes

 $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}(\mu - PhC \equiv CH) (3b)$. An ethereal solution (5) mL) of 3a (471 mg, 1.0 mmol) is combined at -78 °C with a suspension of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{1}-C_{3}H_{5})_{2}$ (451 mg, 1.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (10 mL), and the mixture is warmed to 20 °C (15 min). The resulting orange solution is filtered to remove some insoluble impurities. Cooling the solution to -78 °C affords orange intergrown needles, which are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at 20 °C: yield 665 mg (79%); mp 110 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₃₆H₇₀P₄Pd₂ (839.7): C, 51.49; H, 8.40; P, 14.75; Pd, 25.35. Found: C, 51.42; H, 8.34; P, 14.73; Pd, 25.47. EI-MS (120 °C): m/e (%) 838 (M⁺, 2), 736 (12⁺, 3), 368 ([(dippe)Pd]⁺, 44), 102 ([PhC≡CH]⁺, 41). IR (KBr): see Table 1. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, 27 °C): δ 7.48 (C_{β}H), 6.89 (C_{γ}H), 6.61 (C_{δ}H, C₆H₅), 5.78 [tt, 1 H, ³*J*(PH)_{trans} = 19.5 Hz, ³*J*(PH)_{cis} = 5.7 Hz, \equiv CH], alkyne; 2.1–1.8 (4 unresolved signals, 8 H, PCH), 1.6-1.4 (4 unresolved signals, 8 H, PCH₂), 1.22 (12 H), 1.12 (12 H), 1.02 (12 H), 0.85 (6 H), 0.74 (6 H), CH₃, dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, 27 °C): δ 148.7 [tt, ³J(PC)_{trans} = 8 Hz, ${}^{3}J(PC)_{cis} = 3$ Hz, $C_{\alpha}H$], 130.7 ($C_{\beta}H$), 127.1 ($C_{\gamma}H$), 121.1 ($C_{\delta}H$, C_6H_5), 92.2 [tt, ²*J*(PC)_{trans} = 50.4 Hz, ²*J*(PC)_{cis} = 5.6 Hz, $-C \equiv$], 66.6 [m, ¹*J*(CH) = 197.5 Hz, ≡CH], alkyne; 26.6, 26.3, 26.1, 25.7 (each 2 C, PCH), 23.2, 22.3 (each 2 C, PCH₂), 21.3, 21.1, 20.2, 19.9, 19.8, 19.6, 18.6, 18.1 (each 2 C, CH₃), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (121.5 MHz, 27 °C): see Table 2.

(dippe)Pd(MeO₂CC=CH) (4). To the colorless solution of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ (794 mg, 2.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (5 mL) is added at -30 °C an ethereal solution (5 mL) of MeO₂CC≡CH (0.5 mL, 5.6 mmol). When the solution is concentrated under vacuum to a volume of 4 mL, a tan microcrystalline precipitate is obtained (-30 °C), which is isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at 0 °C: yield 790 mg (87%); mp 56 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₆O₂P₂Pd (452.9): C, 47.74; H, 8.01; O, 7.07; P, 13.68; Pd, 23.50. Found: C, 47.90; H, 7.95; P, 13.62; Pd, 23.38. EI-MS (40 °C): m/e (%) 452 (M⁺, 2), 368 ([(dⁱppe)-Pd]⁺, 100). IR (KBr): 1667, 1175 cm⁻¹ (CO₂Me); for alkyne ligand, see Table 1. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, 27 °C): δ 7.36 [dd, 1 H, ${}^{3}J(PH)_{trans} = 28.7 \text{ Hz}, {}^{3}J(PH)_{cis} = 19.1 \text{ Hz}, \text{ HC} \equiv], 3.61 \text{ (s, 3)}$ H, Me), alkyne; 2.0 (4 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.7 (4 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.1 (four unresolved signals, 24 H, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, 27 °C): δ 169.9 [dd, 1 C, ³J(PC)_{trans} = 18 Hz, ${}^{3}J(PC)_{cis} = 13$ Hz, COOMe], 117.5 [d, 1 C, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{trans} = 62.1$ Hz, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{cis} = 3.1$ Hz, $-C \equiv]$, 112.2 [d, 1 C, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{trans} = 71.2$ Hz, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{cis} = 2.0$ Hz, ${}^{1}J(CH) = 210$ Hz, $\equiv CH$], 50.9 (1 C, OMe), alkyne; 25.9 (2 C, PCH), 25.7 (2 C, P'CH), 23.0 (1 C, PCH₂), 22.7 (1 C, P'CH₂), 20.3, 19.9, 19.3, 19.2 (each 2 C, Me), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, 27 °C): see Table 2.

(dⁱppe)Pd(Me₃SiC≡CH) (5). To the colorless solution of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ (782 mg, 2.0 mmol) in pentane (10 mL) is added at -30 °C Me₃SiC=CH (0.5 mL, 3.5 mmol). At -78 °C off-white crystals slowly separate (1 day), which are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at 0 °C: yield 847 mg (92%); mp 30 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₄₂P₂PdSi (467.0): C, 48.87; H, 9.07; P, 13.27; Pd, 22.79; Si, 6.01. Found: C, 48.78; H, 8.99; P, 13.25; Pd, 22.65; Si, 6.11. EI-MS (20 °C): m/e (%) 466 (M⁺, 6), 368 ([(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺, 100), 98 ([Me₃-SiC=CH]⁺, 5), 83 ([Me₂SiC=CH]⁺, 40). IR (KBr): 1238, 855/ 34 cm⁻¹ (SiMe₃); for alkyne ligand, see Table 1. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, 27 °C): δ 7.26 [dd, 1 H, ${}^{3}J(PH)_{trans} = 32.6$ Hz, ${}^{3}J(PH)_{cis}$ = 15.1 Hz, =CH], 0.19 (s, 9 H, SiMe₃), alkyne; 2.0 (4 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.65 (4 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.16, 1.09, 1.04, 0.98 (each, 6 H, Me), dippe. ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, 27 °C): δ 121.3 $[1 \text{ C}, {}^{2}J(\text{PC})_{\text{trans}} = 46.2 \text{ Hz}, {}^{2}J(\text{PC})_{\text{cis}} = 9.6 \text{ Hz}, \equiv \text{CH}], 116.3 [1]$ C, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{trans} = 36.6$ Hz, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{cis} = 8.7$ Hz, $-C \equiv$], 2.0 (3 C, SiMe₃), alkyne; 26.7 (4 C, PCH and P'CH), 24.2 [1 C, ¹J(PC) $= 20.9 \text{ Hz}, {}^{2}J(P'C) = 17.4 \text{ Hz}, PCH_{2}, 23.1 [1 C, {}^{1}J(P'C)$ Hz, ${}^{2}J(PC) = 15.7$ Hz, P'CH₂], 21.1, 20.6, 19.7, 19.4 (each 2 C, Me), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, 27 °C): see Table 2.

 $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(H_{2}C=CHC\equivCH)$ (6a,b). To the colorless solution of $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(C_{2}H_{4})$ (794 mg, 2.0 mmol) in pentane (20 mL)

is added at -30 °C vinylacetylene (1 mL, 13.6 mmol). When the solution is cooled to -78 °C, colorless crystals form, which are separated as described above and dried under vacuum at -30 °C: yield 810 mg (96%); mp 76 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₆P₂Pd (420.9): C, 51.37; H, 8.62; P, 14.72; Pd, 25.29. Found: C, 51.33; H, 8.64; P, 14.78; Pd, 25.28. EI-MS (50 °C): m/e (%) 420 (M⁺, 6), 368 ([(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺, 100), 52 ([H₂C=CHC≡CH]⁺, 96).

6a: IR (KBr) 3087 (H–C= coord), 3009 (H–C= free), 1717 (C=C coord), 1582 cm⁻¹ (C=C free); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, -80 °C) δ 7.13 [dd, 1 H, ³*J*(PH)_{trans} = 30.5 Hz, ³*J*(PH)_{cis} = 17.0 Hz, =CH], 6.97 (m, 1 H, =CH–), 5.40 [m, 1 H, ²*J*(HH) = 2.5 Hz, ³*J*(HH) = 16.2 Hz, =CHH₂], 5.25 [dd, 1 H, ²*J*(HH) = 2.5 Hz, ³*J*(HH) = 9.4 Hz, =CH_EH], alkyne, 2.19, 2.06 (each m, 2 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.7 (4 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.06 (four unresolved signals, 24 H, Me), d¹ppe; ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, -80 °C) δ 128.1 [dd, 1 C, ³*J*(PC)_{trans} = 17.2 Hz, ³*J*(PC)_{cis} = 10.9 Hz, -CH=], 123.5 [dd, 1 C, ²*J*(PC)_{trans} = 63.0 Hz, ²*J*(PC)_{cis} = 3.8 Hz, =C–], 120.7 (1 C, =CH₂), 109.8 [dd, 1 C, ²*J*(PC)_{trans} = 65.8 Hz, ²*J*(PC)_{cis} = 3.8 Hz, =CH], alkyne; 27.1, 26.0 (each 2 C, PCH and P'CH), 23.1, 21.8 (each 1 C, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 20.7, 20.2, 18.7, 18.7 (each 2 C, Me), d¹ppe; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, -80 °C), see Table 2.

6b: IR (KBr) 3317 (H–C= free), 2069 cm⁻¹ (C=C free); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, 27 °C) δ 3.12 (m, 1 H, =CH–), 2.63 (m, 1 H, =CH), 2.49, 2.36 (each m, 1 H, =CHH_Z and =CH_EH), alkyne, dⁱppe signals as for **6a**; ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, 27 °C) δ 66.8, 60.4 [² J(PP) = 43 Hz].

{(dⁱppe)Pd}₂(µ-H₂C=CHC=CH) (6c). An ethereal solution (15 mL) of **6a,b** (421 mg, 1.0 mmol) is added at -78 °C to $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{1}-C_{3}H_{5})_{2}$ (451 mg, 1.0 mmol), and the mixture is warmed to 0 °C (5 min). The resulting orange solution is filtered to remove insoluble impurities. At -78 °C orange crystals are obtained, which are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at -30 °C: yield 625 mg (79%); dec pt >55 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₃₂H₆₈P₄Pd₂ (789.6): C, 48.68; H, 8.68; P, 15.69; Pd, 26.95. Found: C, 48.61; H, 8.66; P, 15.83; Pd, 26.95. EI-MS (100 °C): m/e (%) 788 (M⁺, 1), 736 (12⁺, 6), 368 ([(dippe)Pd]+, 100). IR (KBr): 3080, 3041 (alkyne and olefinic CH), 1498 (μ -C=C), 1600 cm⁻¹ (noncoordinated C=C). ¹H NMR (200 MHz, -80 °C): δ 7.16 (m, 1 H, =CH-), 5.49 [tt, $1 \text{ H}, {}^{3}J(\text{PH})_{\text{trans}} = 18.7 \text{ Hz}, {}^{3}J(\text{PH})_{\text{cis}} = 6.2 \text{ Hz}, \equiv \text{CH}, 4.79 \text{ [dd,}$ 1 H, ${}^{2}J(HH) = 2.0$ Hz, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 16.5$ Hz, $=CHH_{Z}$], 4.32 [dd, 1 H, ${}^{2}J(HH) = 2.0$ Hz, ${}^{3}J(HH) = 9.4$ Hz, =CH_EH], alkyne; 1.9 (four unresolved signals, 8 H, PCH), 1.5 (four unresolved signals, 8 H, PCH₂), 1.30-0.80 (eight unresolved signals, 48 H, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, -80 °C): δ 142.7 (m, 1 C, -CH=), 104.1 (m, 1 C, $=CH_2$), 88.5 [tt, 1 C, $^2J(PC)_{trans} = 48.0$ Hz, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{cis} = 5.2$ Hz, $\equiv C-$], 65.5 [m, 1 C, ${}^{2}J(PC)_{trans} = 53.2$ Hz, ≡CH], alkyne; 26.1 (four unresolved signals, 8 C, PCH), 22.3 (two resolved signals, 4 C, PCH₂), 20.9, 19.8, 18.9, 18.5 (each 4 C, Me), dippe. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, -80 °C): see Table 2

 $(d^{i}ppe)Pd(\eta^{2}-HC \equiv CC \equiv CH)$ (7c). To the colorless pentane solution (10 mL) of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) (794 mg, 2.0 mmol) is added butadiyne (0.35 mL, 5.1 mmol) at -30 °C. At -78 °C off-white microcrystals precipitate, which are isolated as described above and dried at -30 °C under vacuum: yield 780 mg (93%); mp 55 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₄P₂Pd (418.8): C, 51.62; H, 8.18; P, 14.79; Pd, 25.41. Found: C, 51.40; H, 7.87; P, 14.98; Pd, 25.62. EI-MS (70 °C): m/e (%) 418 (M⁺, 2), 368 ([(dippe)Pd]+, 56), 50 (C₄H₂, 100). IR (KBr): 3314 $(\equiv C-H \text{ free})$, 3075 (weak, $\equiv C-H \text{ coord})$, 2066 (C $\equiv C \text{ free}$), 1690 cm⁻¹ (C≡C coord). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, -30 °C): δ 7.19 $[m, 1 H, {}^{3}J(PH)_{trans} = 31.0 Hz, {}^{3}J(P'H)_{cis} = 21.7 Hz, \equiv CH$ coord], 4.10 [m, 1 H, ${}^{5}J(PH) = 4$ Hz, ${}^{5}J(HH) = 1$ Hz, $\equiv CH$ free], alkyne; 2.1 (4 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.7 (4 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.21, 1.18, 1.12, 1.03 (each m, 6 H, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, -30 °C): δ 112.8 [1 C, ²*J*(PC)_{trans} = 72.9 Hz, ${}^{2}J(P'C)_{cis} = 2.3 \text{ Hz}, {}^{1}J(CH) = 210 \text{ Hz}, \equiv CH \text{ coord}, 106.9 [1 C,]$ ${}^{2}J(P'C)_{trans} = 66.2$ Hz, $\equiv C-$ coord], 86.6 [1 C, ${}^{4}J(P'C)_{trans} =$ 7.6 Hz, ${}^{1}J(CH) = 249.5$ Hz, $\equiv CH$ free], 80.7 [1 C, ${}^{3}J(P'C)_{trans}$ = 19.3 Hz, ${}^{3}J(PC)_{cis}$ = 8.1 Hz, =C- free], alkyne; 26.0, 25.8

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(each 2 C, PCH and P'CH), 22.8, 22.2 (each 1 C, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 20.2, 20.0, 19.1, 19.0 (each 2 C, Me), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, -30 °C): δ 70.2, 68.6 [²*J*(PP) = 25 Hz].

 $\{(d^{i}ppe)Pd\}_{2}\{\mu - (1,2-\eta^{2}):(3,4-\eta^{2})-HC\equiv CC\equiv CH\}$ (7d). An ethereal solution (15 mL) of 7c (419 mg, 1.0 mmol) is added at -78 °C to solid (dⁱppe)Pd(η^1 -C₃H₅)₂ (451 mg, 1.0 mmol). The mixture is warmed to 0 °C for 5 min, and the resulting brown solution is filtered. Over the course of several weeks brown crystals separate at -78 °C, which are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at -30 °C: yield 640 mg (81%); dec pt >65 °C. Anal. Calcd for $C_{32}H_{66}P_4Pd_2$ (787.6): C, 48.80; H, 8.45; P, 15.73; Pd, 27.02. Found: C, 48.68; H, 8.44; P, 15.65; Pd, 27.15. EI-MS (130 °C): m/e (%) 786 (M⁺, <1), 736 (12⁺, 4), 368 ([(dippe)Pd]⁺, 28), 219 ([iPr₂PC₂H₄PiPr]⁺, 100). IR (KBr): see Table 3. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, -85 °C; for =CH see Table 3): δ 2.0 (8 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.6 (8 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.2-0.9 (48 H, four unresolved signals, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, -85 °C; for \equiv C- and \equiv CH see Table 3): δ 26.2, 25.7 (each d, 4 C, PCH and P'CH), 22.8, 21.9 (each m, 2 C, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 20.4, 18.9 (each d, 8 C, pair of unresolved diastereotopic CH₃), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (121.5 MHz, -85 °C): δ 68.0, 64.4 (AA'BB' spin system).

{**(dippe)Pd**}₂{ μ -(**i**,2- η^{2})-**HC**=**CC**=**CH**} (**7e**). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, -85 °C): δ 5.37 [tt, 1 H, ${}^{3}J$ (PH)_{trans} = 17.5 Hz, ${}^{3}J$ (PH)_{cis} = 7.0 Hz, =CH coord], 2.93 [t, 1 H, ${}^{5}J$ (PH) = 3.7 Hz, =CH free], alkyne; 2.12 (2 H), 2.03 (2 H), 1.96 (4 H, four kinds of PCH), 1.5 (8 H, PCH_aH_b and P'CH_aH_b), 1.25-0.9 (unresolved, 48 H, 8 signals of CH₃ expected), dippe. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, -85 °C; for butadiyne see Table 3): δ 26.0, 25.9, 25.6, 25.4 (each 2 C, four types of PCH), 22.5, 21.5 (each 2 C, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 20.8 (4 C), 20.3 (2 C), 19.4 (4 C), 18.6 (6 C, eight types of CH₃), dippe. ³¹P NMR (121.5 MHz, -85 °C): δ 62.6, 58.7 (AA'BB' spin system).

 $(d^{i}ppe)Pt(\eta^{2}-HC \equiv CC \equiv CH)$ (7f). To the colorless suspension of Pt(cod)₂ (822 mg, 2.0 mmol) and dⁱppe (525 mg, 2.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (40 mL) is added at -30 °C butadiyne (0.14 mL, 2.0 mmol). When the mixture is stirred, a burgundy red solution results, from which yellow-orange cubes separate at -78 °C. These are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at -30 °C: yield 760 mg (75%), dec pt >0 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₄P₂Pt (507.5): C, 42.59; H, 6.76; P, 12.21; Pt, 38.44. Found: C, 42.92; H, 7.10; P, 12.11; Pt, 38.08. EI-MS (74 °C): m/e (%) 507 (M⁺, 40), 457 ([(dⁱppe)Pt]⁺, 100). IR (KBr): see Table 3. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, -30 °C; for C₄H₂ signals see Table 3): δ 2.1 (4 H, PCH and P'CH), 1.70, 1.64 (each m, 2 H, PCH₂ and P'CH₂), 1.18, 1.10, 1.03, 1.00 (each m, 6 H, Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, -30 °C; for C₄H₂ signals see Table 3): δ 26.6, 26.1 (each 2 C, PCH and P'CH), 24.6, 24.1 (each 1 C, PCH2 and P'CH2), 19.9, 19.6, 18.9, 18.8 (each 2 C, Me), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (121.5 MHz, -30 °C): δ 77.5, 77.2 $[J(PtP_A) = 3074 \text{ Hz}, J(PtP_B) = 3231 \text{ Hz}, {}^2J(PP) = 42.8$ Hz].

(dⁱppe)Pd(MeC≡CMe) (8a). To a colorless solution of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) (1.98 g, 5.0 mmol) in pentane (10 mL) is added at 0 °C 2-butyne (1 mL, 12.8 mmol). The resulting light orange solution is cooled to -78 °C, and within 1 day off-white crystals separate which are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum at 0 °C: yield 1.71 g (81%); mp 79 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₈P₂Pd (422.9): C, 51.13; H, 9.06; P, 14.65; Pd, 25.17. Found: C, 51.10; H, 9.20; P, 14.65; Pd, 24.98. EI-MS (60 °C): *m/e* (%) 422 (M⁺, 11), 368 ([(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺, 100), 54 ([MeC≡CMe]⁺, 25). IR (KBr): see Table 1. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, −80 °C): δ 2.51 (m, 6 H, ≡CMe), 2-butyne; 1.85 (m, 4 H, PCH), 1.67 (m, 4 H, PCH₂), 1.06 (24 H, set of diastereotopic Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, 27 °C): δ 106.6 ("t", 2 C, ≡C−), 16.1 ("t", 2 C, Me), 2-butyne; 26.1 (4 C, PCH), 23.4 (2 C, PCH₂), 20.3, 19.4 (each 6 C, diastereotopic Me), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, −80 °C): °C): °C): see Table 2.

{(**d**ⁱ**ppe**)**Pd**}₂(μ -**MeC≡CMe**) (**8b**). A pentane solution (5 mL) of **8a** (423 mg, 1.0 mmol) is combined with a cream-colored suspension of (dⁱppe)Pd(η^{1} -C₃H₅)₂ (451 mg, 1.0 mmol) in pentane (10 mL) at −78 °C. When the mixture is warmed to 20 °C, an orange-red solution is obtained from which yellow crystals separate at -30/-78 °C. The product is isolated as described and dried under vacuum at 0 °C: yield 670 mg (85%);

mp 80 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for $C_{32}H_{70}P_4Pd_2$ (791.6): C, 48.55; H, 8.91; P, 15.65; Pd, 26.89. Found: C, 48.48; H, 9.12; P, 15.57; Pd, 26.86. EI-MS (100 °C): m/e (%) 736 (**12**⁺, 23), 368 ([(dippe)Pd]⁺, 85), 219 ([iPr₂PC₂H₄PiPr]⁺, 88), 54 ([MeC≡CMe]⁺, 70), 43 (100). IR (KBr): see Table 1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, -30 °C): δ 2.86 (quint, 6 H, ≡CMe), 2-butyne; 1.95 (unresolved, 8 H, PCH), 1.44 (unresolved, 8 H, PCH₂), 1.10, 1.00 (each 24 H, Me), dippe. ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, -30 °C): δ 84.9 ("t", 2 C, ≡C-), 18.9 ("d", 2 C, Me), 2-butyne; 26.2, 25.6 (each 4 C, PCH), 23.8 (4 C, PCH₂), 22.5, 22.5, 20.8, 20.0 (each 6 C, diastereotopic Me), dippe. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, -30 °C): see Table 2.

(dippe)Pd(PhC=CPh) (9). To a colorless solution of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) (397 mg, 1.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (5 mL) is added an ethereal solution (5 mL) of PhC≡CPh (210 mg, 1.2 mmol) at 20 °C. Colorless crystals precipitate, which are isolated as described (-30 °C) and dried under vacuum (20 °C): yield 755 mg (87%); mp 166 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₄₂P₂-Pd (547.0): C, 61.48; H, 7.74; P, 11.32; Pd, 19.45. Found: C, 61.39; H, 7.65; P, 11.42; Pd, 19.46. EI-MS (95 °C): m/e (%) 546 (M⁺, 10), 368 ([($d^{i}ppe$)Pd]⁺, 100), 178 ([$C_{2}Ph_{2}$]⁺, 83). IR (KBr): see Table 1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, 27 °C): δ 7.60 (4 H), 7.22 (4 H), 7.04 (2 H), C₂Ph₂; 2.13 (m, 4 H, PCH), 1.68 (m, 4 H, PCH₂), 1.12, 1.05 (each m, 12 H, diastereotopic Me), dⁱppe. ^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, 27 °C): δ 138.2 (2 C, $C_{\alpha}),$ 130.2 (4 C, $C_β$), 128.3 (4 C, $C_γ$), 125.5 (2 C, $C_δ$), 126.1 (2 C, ≡C−), C_2Ph_2 ; 26.8 [4 C, ${}^{1}J(PC) = 7.6$ Hz, PCH], 22.8 ["t", 2 C, ${}^{1}J(PC) \approx {}^{2}J(PC)$ \approx 18.1 Hz, PCH₂], 20.5, 19.0 (each 4 C, diastereotopic Me), dippe. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, 27 °C): see Table 2.

(dippe)Pd(MeO₂CC=CCO₂Me) (10). To a solution of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) (791 mg, 2.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (10 mL) is added at 0 °C an ethereal solution (10 mL) of MeO2-CC≡CCO₂Me (0.5 mL, 4.1 mmol). Colorless crystals form, which are isolated as described above and dried under vacuum (20 °C): yield 920 mg (90%); mp 101 °C. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₈O₄P₂Pd (510.9): C, 47.02; H, 7.50; O, 12.53; P, 12.13; Pd, 20.83. Found: C, 47.09; H, 7.46; P, 11.98; Pd, 20.71. EI-MS (90 °C): m/e (%) 510 (M⁺, 4), 368 ([(dⁱppe)Pd]⁺, 100). IR (KBr): 1679, ${\sim}1190~cm^{-1}$ (CO_2Me); for alkyne ligand, see Table 1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, 27 °C): δ 3.64 (s, 6 H, CO₂Me), alkyne; 2.06 (m, 4 H, PCH), 1.78 (m, 4 H, PCH₂), 1.14, 1.07 (each 12 H, diastereotopic Me), dⁱppe. 13 C NMR (100.6 MHz, 27 °C): δ 167.9 (2 C, CO_2Me), 122.7 (2 C, $\equiv C-$), 51.1 (2 C, CO_2Me), alkyne; 25.9 (4 C, PCH), 22.9 [2 C, ¹J(PC) = 20 Hz, ²J(PC) = 17 Hz, PCH₂], 19.9, 19.3 (each 4 C, diastereotopic Me), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, 27 °C): see Table 2.

(dⁱppe)Pd(Me₃SiC=CSiMe₃) (11). To the colorless solution of (dⁱppe)Pd(C₂H₄) (794 mg, 2.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (5 mL) is added Me₃SiC=CSiMe₃ (0.5 mL, 2.2 mmol) at 20 °C. When the solution is cooled to -78 °C (1 day), off-white cubes crystallize, which are separated as described above and dried under vacuum at 20 °C: yield 850 mg (79%); mp 50 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for $C_{22}H_{50}P_2PdSi_2$ (539.2): C, 49.01; H, 9.35; P, 11.49; Pd, 19.74; Si, 10.42. Found: C, 48.75; H, 9.28; P, 11.41; Pd, 19.92; Si, 10.55. EI-MS (40 °C): m/e (%) 538 (M⁺, 8), 368 ([(dippe)Pd]+, 100), 170 ([C₂(SiMe₃)₂]+, 4). IR (KBr): 1239, 861/ 36 (SiMe₃); for alkyne ligand, see Table 1. ¹H NMR (200 MHz, 27 °C): δ 0.22 (s, 18 H, SiMe₃), alkyne; 2.04 (m, 4 H, PCH), 1.65 (m, 4 H, PCH₂), 1.08, 1.07 (each m, 12 H, diastereotopic Me), dⁱppe. ¹³C NMR (50.3 MHz, 27 °C): δ 134.7 ["t", 2 C, $^{2}J(PC)_{trans} \approx ^{2}J(PC)_{cis} \approx 20$ Hz, C=C], 2.3 (6 C, SiMe₃), alkyne; 27.2 [4 C, ¹J(PC) = 6.5 Hz, PCH], 23.4 ["t", 2 C, ¹J(PČ) \approx 2 J(P'C) \approx 18 Hz, PCH₂], 21.4, 19.3 (each 4 C, diastereotopic Me), dⁱppe. ³¹P NMR (81 MHz, 27 °C): δ 63.4 [³J(SiP) = 16 Hz].

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